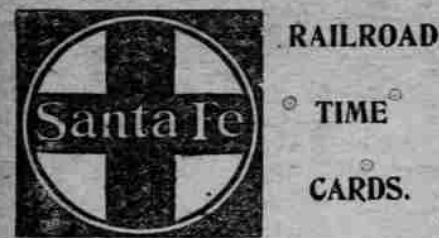


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MADDEN, the Third Assistant
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a reputation for partial in-
fecility that may result in his
being fired from office. He is
making rulings concerning the
admission of publications at the
publishers rates that works an
injustice to practically every
weekly paper in the land. There
is, undoubtedly, a large class of
trades papers—publications like
Home Comfort for instance,
which never had a subscription
list and only live by reason of
the catch-penny advertisements
and fake schemes it handles—that
should be excluded from the
mails at the low rate—or at any
rate for that matter. But Mad-
den seems to be after the weekly
country press principally. There
may be no politics in his rulings,
but the papers effected thus far
seem to be principally anti-re-
publican, which would lead one
to believe that the postal machi-
nery was being used for political
purposes.

In a letter from Washington
to his paper, the Hutchinson
News, Billy Morgan says it is an
unusual thing for congressmen
and senators to be told by the
president that men they are re-
commending for appointment to
office are "thieves, liars, etc., but
that is what has happened to
most of the present senators and
congressmen." Rather a queer
admission for Morgan to make.
But he probably realized that in
Roosevelt we have a president
who won't say white is black (al-
though he sometimes acts like
black was white.) Teddy is
going to ride the buckers, if it
busts the belly-band of his party.

Don't begin the new year by
scolding and complaining. Re-
member that tact and diplomacy
will accomplish more for good
than faultfinding and criticism.
The average human being likes
to be praised and complimented
—from the little toddler to the
greybeard. The minister who
scolds his congregation has a lean
collection basket; the business
man who tells his troubles to his
customers will soon have few
auditors; the father or mother
who dings at the children from
morning until night will find that
the children become more an-
xious to get out from under the
paternal roof.

The very latest from Ohio
would indicate that in the Sena-
torial fight Hanna is going to
be let out and the Foraker fac-
tions put to the front. When
Teddy gave Hanna the marble
heart the great boss began to
play a losing game. Now if
Boss Quay will continue to be in-
duced by "bad health" to resign,
and Boss Platt gets another set-
back from "Terrible Teddy" the
U. S. senate may undergo a much
needed house-cleaning.

THANK God every morning
when you get up that you have
something to do that day which
must be done, whether you like
it or not. Being forced to work
and forced to do your best will
breed in you temperance and
self-control, diligence, strength
of will, cheerfulness and con-
tent and a hundred virtues which
the idle never know.—Charles
Kingsley.

WHEN "turning over a new
leaf" to begin the new year, turn
it over for good. Too many men
turn down a corner or put in a
marker, indicating that they
think possibly they will want to
refer to the old leaf again.

An advertisement properly
placed in a dull season will do as
much good as in the busy season.
In dull times people have more
time to give to the papers, and
to studying how and where they
can save money.

The daily papers are running
scarceheads about a "Rupture in
the Cabinet," but in our opinion
such small guts as Long, Gage
and Hitchcock can be held in
place by a truss.—Norton Cham-
pion.

Jacob Shafer, of Albion township,
was a Great Bend visitor Tuesday.

DEATH OF MRS. JAS. KEPPLE.

Mrs. Abbie Jane Kepple, aged
62 years, 3 months and 25 days,
wife of James Kepple, died at her
home in Great Bend at 7:20 a. m.
December 28, 1901.

Abbie Jane Green was born in
Schena county, N. Y., in 1839.
In 1859 was married to James
Kepple, in McDonald county, Ill.
Mrs. Kepple removed with her
family to Wichita county, Kans.,
in 1887, living there and assist-
ing to tame that then wild coun-
try until 1897, when they moved
to Great Bend, making this their
home since that time. Eight
children were born to them, two
of whom died in infancy. The
other six are all grown. Miss
Bessie, the youngest, being the
only one unmarried and at home.
The other children are: Frank
Kepple, living in this city; Etta
McCracken of Reno, Ill.; Clara
Smith, Lola Isaac and Ollie
Burruss, living in Wichita county,
Kansas. All were present on the
day of the funeral, although Mrs.
McCracken arrived from Ill. a
few hours too late for the cere-
monies.

Mrs. Kepple was a kind, indus-
trious christian woman, a tire-
less worker for the good of hu-
manity, and all her acquaintances
were her sincere friends. She
had been ill but a short time,
having contracted a severe cold
while attending the funeral of her
mother, which cold developed in-
to a fever. She was ill but about
ten days. The loss of his beloved
life companion is a most severe
blow to Mr. Kepple; and he and
the mourning children have the
deep sympathy of this entire
community.

Funeral services were held at
the M. E. church on Monday,
Dec. 30th, at 2 p. m., and the re-
mains interred in the Great Bend
cemetery.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to sincerely thank our
friends and neighbors for their kin-
dness to us during the recent illness
and death of our dear wife and
mother.

MR. JAMES KEPPLE AND CHILDREN

New Poultry Association Officers.

The Barton County Poultry
Association met Wednesday
afternoon and elected officers for
the ensuing year as follows:
President, Ovid Butler.

Vice Presidents—W. W. Willms,
W. E. Koch, J. H. Jennison,
Louis Sessler, Chris Johnson and
S. M. Smith.

Secretary—W. A. Dunn.

Treasurer—Wm. Ferger.

Executive Board—A. L. Whit-
comb, Ed. L. Gilson, W. E. Koch,
and Louis Sessler. The president,
secretary and treasurer are ex-
officio members of the executive
board.

Three new members were taken
into the association. It was de-
cided that the next annual ex-
hibit would be at Great Bend,
the time to be fixed by the execu-
tive board.

The report of the treasurer
shows a neat sum on hands, and
all the expenses and premiums
paid.

The Week of Prayer, January 6-11.

The churches of this city will ob-
serve the week of prayer by Union
Prayer Meetings to be held at 7:30
each evening of next week excepting
Saturday when the meeting will be at
3 p. m. The meetings will begin
promptly at the hour and close in an
hour. They will be held in the Chris-
tian church. Topics and leaders:

Monday—The Vision of God in
Christ, Rev. J. E. Lorton.

Tuesday—Our Country, E. R.
Moore.

Wednesday—Our Churches, Wm.
Torrey.

Thursday—On Missions, The Rev.
L. G. Morony.

Friday—Our Schools, Prof. War-
ren Baker.

Saturday—The Kingdom of God,
Rev. E. H. Teall.

"Praise the bridge that carries you
over." Speak a good word for the
paper that stands by your town and
your country; not only speak a good
word for it to your neighbor who is
not a subscriber, but urge upon him
the advisability of helping to maintain
such a paper by giving it his support.

If They'd Lived in Kansas?

What would the record have
been if the couple below noted
had lived in the productive and
prolific state of Kansas? It's
awful to contemplate.

The most remarkable family
discovered by the census enu-
merators was at a little village
named Mary's Home in Miller
county, Mo., about thirty miles
from Jefferson City. The enu-
merator in that district reports
that he found a Mrs. Henry
Smith, wife of a storekeeper, 32
years old, during a brief mar-
riage of seven years had presented
her devoted husband with sixteen
children. Only one of them
was a "solitaire." There were
two pair of twins, two sets of
triplets and one quintet, five
sturdy boys at birth, averaging
six pounds in weight. They are
all alive and hearty, their mother
is as active and strong as any
woman in the state.

They Were a Tough Lot.

When Frederic Murphy, of "A
Wise Woman" company, which will be
seen here in the near future, was a
youngster, his health was rather bad,
and on one occasion he was obliged to
go west as far as Cripple Creek to re-
cuperate. Being a poor boy at the
time, he was obliged to go to work at
anything he could lay his hands on,
and through the influence of the man-
aging editor he secured a position as
reporter on a local paper. At that
time Cripple Creek was one of the
toughest communities in the west and
shooting affairs were of daily occur-
rence. Murphy, being a natty and po-
lite little fellow, was looked upon with
contempt by his associates as a tender-
foot of the worst description. The
boys in the office put up a job on him
with the intention of giving him a hearty
scare. The story leaked out, and the
managing editor hearing of it, tipped
Murphy off. The following day, just
as Murphy was in the midst of a lengthy
article, the various employes got into
an altercation and drawing their guns,
they all began to shoot at once. As
the youngster was onto the game, he
never moved a muscle, but kept on
writing copy with his hat pulled over
his eyes, as though it was the most or-
dinary occurrence in the world. Short-
ly a delegation met the managing editor
and asked what kind of a chap that
tenderfoot was. "Why," he replied,
"that fellow's got more notches on his
pistol for killing men than any man in
Colorado." The next day, however,
he resigned his position and has since
devoted his time to studying the art of
comedy. See him at the opera house,
January 13.

His Nerve.

He had called on a Fifth-Avenue
physician, and reported that he was
"knocked out generally." As he took
the prescription he said, "Well, doc-
tor, what do I owe you?"

"Two dollars."

"I'm sorry I can't pay you to day.
You won't mind waiting awhile will
you?"

"No; that's all right."

"And, doctor, how much will this
prescription cost?"

"A bout one dollar."

"Say doc, you could at loan me a
dollar to get it with could you? I'm
dead broke."

"Let me look at that prescription
again," said the physician. He took
it examined it, then erased a line.

"I had prescribed something for
your nerve," he said, "but I see you
don't need it."—New York Times.

Fire Co. Officers for 1902.

The Great Bend Fireman met last
Friday night and elected the following
officers for 1902: Chief, A. A. Wim-
mergren; Assistant Chief, Otis Bolin-
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Foreman, N. S. Keam; Secretary, B. J.
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